

# The Mountain Eagle.

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Once Lord Mayor of London,  
Now Works For Children



Sir William Treloar, lord mayor of London in 1906-7 and for many years a member of the corporation of London and sheriff of London, is paying a visit to the United States to observe the methods in vogue for the care of crippled children and other philanthropic objects for which he is well known. The former lord mayor is not only one of the richest but quite the tallest member of the aldermenic body. He stands six feet two in his socks. He is a very keen naturalist and has a splendid aviary in his Norwood home. His favorite is a cockatoo named Cocky, and he rehearses his speeches to it. Sir William, who is a bit of a humorist, declares that the intelligent bird always laughs in the right places. An amusing simile was that which he gave at a recent meeting of the cage bird show when he said that the lord mayor, like the lizard canary, sheds his fine feathers at the end of a year. Sir William Treloar believes in fresh air, and the fine house in which he lives at Norwood, formerly the property of Sims Reeves, the celebrated singer, stands as high as the dome of St. Paul's cathedral. The late Dr. Sprague, who lived close by, used to declare that it was possible to taste the salt on the outside of his window panes when the wind was blowing from the channel. Sir William says that he has never sampled the flavor of the window panes himself, being content to take his neighbor's word for it. In spite of his business ties in the city the lord mayor found time to travel considerably in Turkey, Palestine and Asia Minor. Every Christmas Sir William, in conjunction with the Ragged School union, sends out many hundreds of hampers containing food and toys for the maimed mites in whom he is interested, and it is worth noting that not one of these hampers is ever lost. The register of cripples is kept right up to date, and every hamper that leaves the guildhall has necessitated personal visitation and verification. Sir William has had many curious contributions to his fund. One year a man sent a fifty pound note in an ordinary envelope, unfastened. His identity was never discovered, and he does not seem to have had any fear that his strangely made gift would go astray. Another sympathizer sends at regular intervals a couple of stamps, being unable to afford more at one time.

## Kills a Murderer

A merciless murderer is appendicitis with many victims. But Dr. King's New Life Pills kill it by prevention. They gently stimulate stomach, liver and bowels, preventing that clogging that invites appendicitis, curing constipation, headache, biliousness, chills. 25¢ at all druggists.

## What a Famous Editor Says

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## Its the World's Best

### Mostly Foolishness.

This strikes me as very funny. Among the great number of millionaires that have been rendezvousing in the Boone and Elkhorn sections of this county is a big negro worth at least sixty million dollars. Well, you say there is nothing funny about that. No, but the negro has a common ordinary looking white man for a driver.

## Baker

Foddering over. Millard Collier has gone to Louisville to enter a dental college.

Mrs. Martha Wright was badly injured by being thrown from a horse.

Mr. Dunlap, of Pikeville, was here surveying for the Northern.

The R. R. surveyors are camping at mouth of Potters Fork.

Ben Franklin is at Baker.

Mrs. Sillar Collier and daughters are visiting at Ermine.

School progressing nicely.

J. J. Johnson has returned to Pikeville.

Dr. John Adkins passed this way. Azil C.

## Eagle and Evening Post

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## This, That and the Other

### THIS

The clouds are dark and threatening today. An uneasy feeling broods every where. Summer with its sunshine, its fruits, flowers, its pealing thunders and its vivid lightnings, all these seem to be lingering on the finger-tips of winter. Many a poor cow that has carried the destitute family across the pinching gulf of starvation will soon abandon her customary search for food on the hill-side and wisely stand at the gate and look and look and ruminate. Hundreds of little deserving, bare feet, rusty and sore at heel and toe will itch for coverings to ward off the icy breath of the frost king, and the poor mother, feeling as none other can, looks upon the picture and sorrowfully and silently ruminates too. The rich and often heartless amid it all will wrap his costly trappings around himself and imagines that all the world is warm and snug. Thus and thus it goes. God who looks over all sees all, weighs all, alone knows the heart-aches, the sighs, the groans and the tears that are knitted up, bound up in the bosoms of the poor. In all the boundless realm of His creation it is doubtful whether he had a nobler purpose than when he created the poor and especially the widows and orphans. They are the direct objects of charity and the man who does not open his heart to them has but little if any of the spirit of Him who had not place to lay his head.

### THAT

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The Church Bell, how its melodies ring, as its tones vibrate

## New Pennsylvania Station Largest Structure Ever Built at One Time

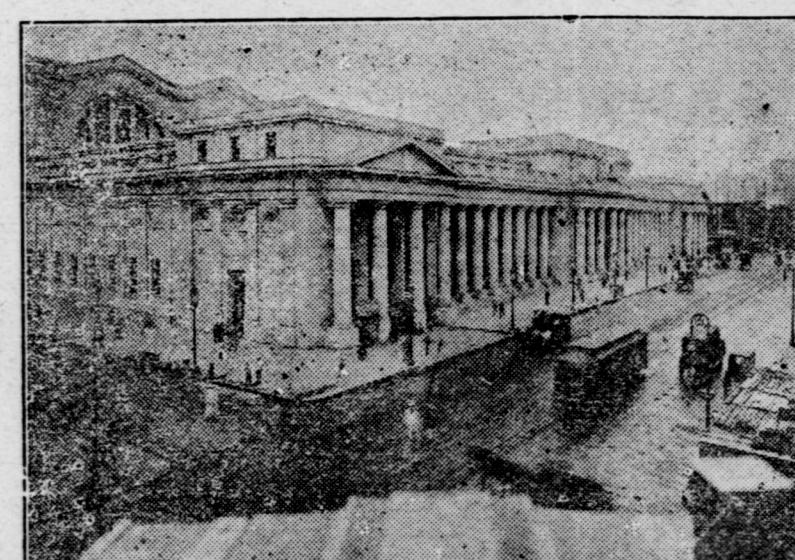


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The new Pennsylvania railroad station just opened in New York is said to be the largest building in the world ever constructed at one time. Larger buildings are in existence, but they were not finished as was this. Trains between Manhattan and Long Island are now running into the station.

## Travels 3,836 Miles on Motorcycle In Record Time



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Having traveled 3,836 miles on a motorcycle from San Francisco to New York city to visit relatives, William Streiff arrived at his destination with just \$1.40 in cash and lots of valuable experience, not the least of which was the breaking of the world's record in crossing the continent. He was just twenty-eight days and three hours on the trip, and the best previous record was made by C. A. Miller, who took thirty-one days, twelve hours and fifteen minutes to go from coast to coast. During his long journey Streiff never wore a coat and says that he did not suffer greatly from cold weather. He was armed when he started from San Francisco, but before he had traveled a hundred miles he lost his revolver and continued his trip without weapons, which he says are not needed by transcontinental tourists. He was subject to much inconvenience, however, by the efforts of small tradesmen to "hold him up" for gasoline. Some of them demanded as much as 50 cents a gallon for the necessary fluid. He is a member of the Federation of American Motorcyclists and has made long journeys before, but it was not until he arrived in New York state that he was halted by a farmer, who wanted to inquire whether he "lit up" his goggles at night. Streiff declares that the air in the front fire of his motorcycle is the same that was injected when the machine was shipped to California and that he did not touch the tube until he arrived with it in Gotham. The rear tire suffered several punctures en route.

## Governor of Kentucky .....COMMENDS..... "Back Home" Movement

Johnson City, Tenn., Oct. 3—

The industrial department of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Ry. today received a letter from Gov. Wilson, of Kentucky, strongly commanding the railroad's plan of bringing "back home" some of the thousands of young men who have gone from the mountain sections of the Virginias, Kentucky, Tennessee and North Carolina to make their home in the west. The letter reads in part as follows:

"It would be a great benefit to Kentucky if we could bring 'back home' even a small percentage of the vast army who have gone out from our Commonwealth to seek their fortunes in the southwest west, northwest, north and even in the east. There are more Kentuckians and Kentuckians' children in the northwest alone than in all Kentucky now, and they are leaders and state-builders wherever they go. I sincerely hope that this 'back home' plan will touch the chords of memory in those who have gone out from us and will begin a great homecoming movement."

Every effort is being made by the Clinchfield industrial department to obtain the addresses of young men who have gone from the states mentioned in order that it may set before them advantages now offered in their native country. Everyone is asked to send in these lists.

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## Thanks

Dear Editor,

Please send the Eagle 6 mos. to Shadie Blair, 126 Gordon Ave., Hamilton, O., and charge to J. D. Blair.

Dear Editor,

All the rest of the boys about here take the Eagle and I think I am entitled to as much of the good reading as they are. So, send me the bird 3 months to Flatgap, Va. Jesee Bolling.

Dear Editor,

Enclosed find a dollar and let the bird keep a coming. You are doing a great deal for this country. I am very proud of the bird. G. M. Hogg, Isom, Ky.

Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed \$1, send the Eagle a year to Lewis Caudill. Indian Bottom is moving along nicely while the R. R. is coming and sorghum mills are humming. May the bird fly to all homes. H. B. Branson.

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## Editorially

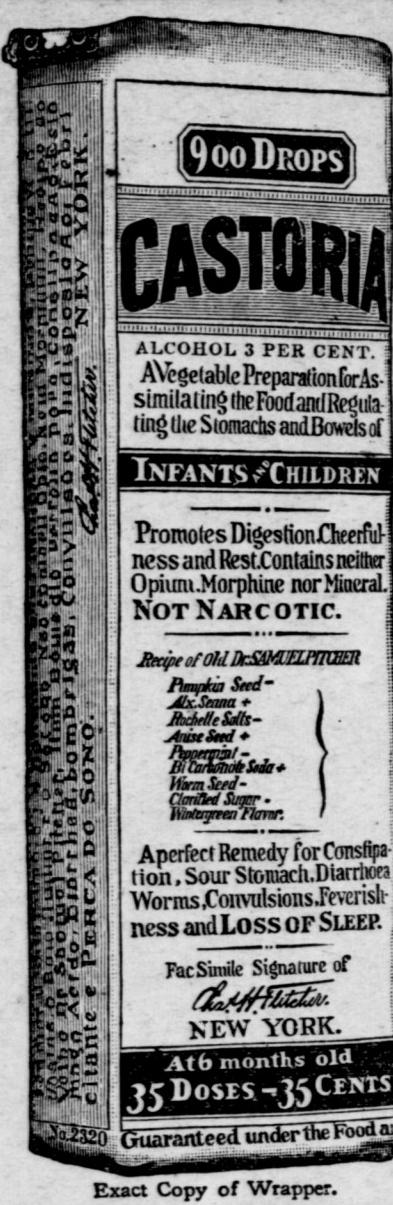
BE ready to do something or  
get ready to pull out.

MANY a young man has slept  
away his day of grace and when  
the car of progress comes dash-  
ing along he stands with his  
mouth open and finally acknowl-  
edges his worthlessness by going  
into a hole and pulling the hole  
in after him.

THE Eagle learns with regret  
of the death of our old friend  
and former townsman, James E.  
Sarver, late of Appalachia.  
Uncle Jim Sarver was one of the  
pioneers of Letcher county and  
will be remembered by many of  
our readers as one of the first  
lawyers to practice at the bar in  
Letcher county. He was perhaps  
90 years of age.

WE want every young man  
and boy in the country to read  
the little story of Jim Wilson on  
the front page this week. It is  
historically true. Read it and  
quit saying you have no chance  
to climb higher, no opportunity  
to be anybody. Chances and  
opportunities of themselves, my  
boys, never amounted to anything.  
They are the product, the  
creations of yourselves. You  
must make them. There are  
laurels yet unplucked, fame still  
stands tip-toe on the mountain  
tops. You have but to reach  
forth a determined hand and the  
glory of them all are yours. The  
history of all the past proves this  
and the history of the future will  
write the same story. The honest  
heart and the iron will are  
just as much in demand now as  
of old and they will win their  
way in the world in the future  
in the same old way. Don't you  
doubt it or let anyone make you  
believe otherwise.

OFTEN a local newspaper  
stands between the devil and  
the - deep blue sea. It  
would like to say things, things  
that ought to be said tho' the  
heavens fall. It can edge up to  
the very point of saying them,  
but before they are said his  
bread and meat begin to back off  
- and there you are. If he tells  
the land owners they ought to  
hold on to their little scraps the  
corporations raise hel-a-halo and  
if he says that when he parts  
with his mineral and keeps his  
surface he fixes himself to hold  
the snipe-sack they call the editor  
a damy-hool and other names  
that smack of the sulphurous.  
So what would you do? Let 'em  
slide?



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## SOME SQUAWKS ... Heard As the Eagle Flies ...

### POWERS

At 1 o'clock Monday, Oct. 17, Hon. Caleb Powers, Republican nominee for Congress, Hon. Chas. E. Herd, of Middleboro, and Hon. Eugene Asher, of Pineville, will address the voters of Letcher county at this place.

### FOREST FIRES

Several good sized towns in Minnesota were entirely wiped out by forest fires a few days ago. The loss of life is declared to be appalling and the property loss cannot be estimated. The fires are still raging and other towns are in danger.

### BERTRAM

On Monday, Oct. 24, at 1 p.m., Hon. Ezra Bertram, Democratic nominee for Congress from this district, will address the voters of Letcher county at this place in the interest of his candidacy. Other speakers in his interest may also be present.

### ROOSEVELT

In the run of ex-President Roosevelt across the country in the last few days the South seems to have given him a royal welcome. At Bristol and at Knoxville he was strong on what is termed his "new nationalism," and it is said poured some hot shot into the stand-patters.

### HEARST

The Independence League of New York in convention a few days ago nominated a full ticket for State offices. John J. Hooper was named for Governor and Wm. R. Hearst for Lieut. Governor. Mr. Hearst arrived the same day he was nominated from an extensive trip abroad.

### TAYLOR

U.S. Senator Bob Taylor, three times elected Governor of Tennessee, was again nominated for

that office by the Democrats of the State. Gov. Taylor with reluctance accepted the nomination and has entered upon a vigorous campaign. He may be able to pull the Democrats out of the middle of a bad fix.

### WENDLING CASE

The motion to transfer the well known Wendling case from the State courts to the Federal court was overruled by Judge Gregory at Louisville. He is the Frenchman accused of murdering 8-year-old Alma Kellner last December. The trial is set for November 21 of this year.

### ZOLLOCOFFER

The unveiling of a beautiful monument to Gen. F. G. Zollicoffer, a noted Confederate veteran, at Somerset on next Tuesday is expected to draw a great crowd. Many of the old fellows who wore the gray in the perilous war days will be there to do honor to their former great leader. Gen. Zollicoffer fell at the battle of Mill Springs on January 12, 1862.

### TEACHERS' PAY

On next Saturday, Oct. 15, the public school teachers throughout the State will be paid their money for the first two months taught. Over half a million dollars will be sent out from the State Treasurer's office on this account and it is said will leave it almost empty, but Capt. Farley says that by the time the next month's pay is due he believes it will be on hand.

### L. & E. RY. CONTRACT

The contract for the construction of the L. & E. Railway from Jackson, Breathitt county, to the mouth of Colly, in this county, was let yesterday at Louisville.

Up to press time (Wed. 2 p.m.) we had no news as to whom the contract was let. However, it is understood that the building of

### Remedies are Needed

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the road will be let in sections or sub-let to a number of contractors. It is also understood that work will begin on the ground within ten days after contracts are let.

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### In Oklahoma.

Dear Editor. After a five month's visit among friends in Letcher County we are at home again. On our way we stopped at Pittsburgh and London for a short stay with old friends. We found all well at home. It is awful hot and dry here. Can't plow for wheat. Corn is not good. Kaffer is good.

With best respects for the Eagle and its many friends, I am, Very Respectfully, J. D. Adams. Clinton, Okla., Oct. 2.

The pleasant purgative effect experienced by all who use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and the healthy condition of the body and mind which they create, makes one feel joyful. Sold by all dealers.

### Accidentally Killed.

Praise, Pike Co., Ky. David Stapleton while out hunting with a shotgun a few days ago fell the hammer of the gun striking a rock discharging it the contents striking him in the breast and arm. He died the following Wednesday night.

Your cough annoys you. Keep on hacking and tearing the delicate membranes of your throat if you want to be annoyed. But if you want relief, want to be cured take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Sold by all dealers.

### Geo. M. Sturgill Dead.

Last Wednesday the Reaper with his "sickle keen" entered the home and cut down in his prime, Geo. M. Sturgill. He was about 21 years old and up to within a short time before his death had been healthy, active and intelligent. He was a member of Co. E. K.S.G., and had borne a good record, being much admired by both officers and men of the company. He died from an attack of cholera morbus. We extend to the family and friends of the deceased our heartfelt sympathies. He died at the home of Joel Boggs, of Eolia.

### Reaching the Top

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### Lester

E. G. Holcomb, of Harlan, is here.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lucas, of Evans, visited us.

Blaine Crase left for Stonega, Robt. Amburgey, of Colson, visited on Thornton.

Hargis Simmons passed going to Esserville.

Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Kiser visited here and leave soon to visit at Portsmouth, O.

G. B. Vaughan is among us.

Mrs. C. H. Crase made a trip to Monroe Collins'. She reports a new girl.

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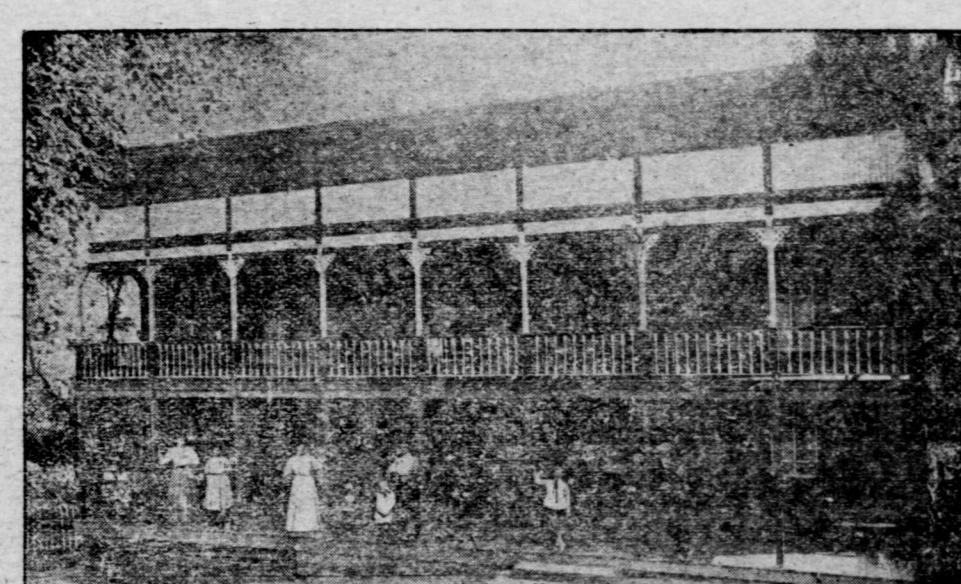
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# Lanier of the Cavalry

## Or,

### A Week's Arrest

By GENERAL CHARLES KING,

Author of "The Colonel's Daughter," "Foes In Ambush," Etc.

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saying good night," she cordially spoke. "Miriam has been quite upset by a letter from home, and this little episode—this evening, which she cannot understand as we do, has so unstrung her that Mrs. Foster offered to send them over home in her sleigh. The side door had been barred, but Mr. Horton pried it open for them, so they had no need to come this way and face everybody—and explain."

"You know how sorry I am," said Mrs. Button. "Of course they are excusable for leaving as they did. Why, where are the others going?"

The music had suddenly stopped. Some one among the women, with startled eyes and paling face, sprang up saying, "It's fire!" Almost at the same instant the colonel and Scott reached the veranda without. A dozen officers were there, intent and listening. "I tell you I heard it plainly," said one of their number, "and the Foster sleigh isn't back."

"Heard what, sir?" demanded the colonel. "What's the trouble?"

"A cry for help, or something, over yonder."

There presently appeared round the corner of the building the sergeant of the guard, and with him a burly soldier, bleeding at the nose. One hand covered a damaged eye; with the other he saluted Captain Snuffer.

"Sir, I have to report Trooper Rawdon assaulting a noncommissioned officer."

Major Scott gave tongue.

"Trooper Rawdon!" cried he. "Why, he now has a month's furlough from General Crook. He's the best man of the escort."

"Refused to obey my orders to go to his quarters, sir, and assaulted me when I tried to enforce 'em. Sergeant Blunt says he won't confine him unless Captain Snuffer orders it."

"One moment, sergeant," interposed Colonel Button. "Has any disturbance—any cry for help—been heard at the guardhouse, or was this the explanation?"

"No, 5, sir, hasn't called off half past eleven."

"No, 5," cried two or three men at the instant, and without a word Captain Sumter hurried away.

"No, 5," repeated the colonel. "That's just back of Sumter's quarters."

Afar across the glistening level a few lights glimmered faintly in the row of officers' quarters, but there was no sign of moving humanity. Only the hurrying form of Captain Sumter could be seen halfway across the parade. The Fosters' sleigh was nowhere in sight. Sumter's quarters were about the middle of the row. Lanier's were at the eastward end. All men stood waiting, watching. Then on a sudden two or three black forms darted from the shadow of the middle quarters. One came running out across the parade, hardly slackened speed at the half of Captain Sumter, pointed back with one hand, shouted something that doubled Sumter's pace.

It was Conroy, corporal of the guard. "The adjutant orders me to report No. 5 sick, sir," he panted. "I found him all doubled up in the coal shed. They got the steward over from the hospital, but they want the sergeant and some of the guard to search the back buildings."

"Who wants them?" demanded the colonel.

"The adjutant, sir. Lieutenant Blake with him. There has been some prowlers, and the young ladies were frightened."

"One moment," interposed the colonel. "Sergeant of the guard, take four of your men and report to Captain Sumter or to the adjutant. Now, corporal, when was this cry heard?"

"Just after the young ladies got home, sir."

"Was the officer of the guard over there?"

"Not the—new one, sir, but—" The corporal suddenly stopped.

"But what?" demanded the colonel. "Do you mean that Lieutenant Lanier was there—out of his quarters?"

"Out of his head if he was," growled the paymaster, who loved him well and was deeply concerned over his trouble.

"I—I didn't see him, sir," answered the colonel, whirling his chair to the right about and addressing the paymaster. "Is how or why those men should be down here?"

"It seems simple," answered Scott placidly, "by being entirely independent of the post commander. From Frayne I had to go to the entourments up along the Big Horn, and we doubled the size of the escort accordingly. When we got back there these three were permitted to come all the way, whether to buy Christmas things for the Frayne folk or affairs of their own I didn't inquire."

"To whom did you assign them for ration and quarters?" demanded the colonel of Barker.

"Captain Snuffer, sir. C troop."

"Are they there—the others, at least?"

"Corporal Watts and Trooper Ames are there, sir. Trooper Rawdon, as you know, is not. He has not been seen about the quarters since some time last evening."

Again a pause. Then presently, "You arrested Kelly, I see, the man who was on No. 5."

"Yes, sir. Both Dr. Schuchardt and the steward said his sickness was

due to drink. I believe he was doped." "That he could get whisky anywhere along back of the officers' quarters," said the colonel reflectively as well as reflecting, "is not improbable. That it should have been doped, judging from the way one or two have misbehaved, is not impossible. The usual orders for the present, captain," said he to the new incumbent. "And you are relieved, Captain Curbit," to the old. "But I shall need to see you later, so do not leave the van of his extreme displeasure."

At the office were presently assembled the colonel, the adjutant, the quartermaster, the post surgeon, and to them came Paymaster Scott. At the "store" were gathered half the commissioned officers. At Sumter's there kept coming and going a succession of sympathetic callers, who left even more mystified than when they arrived. Miriam had had a fright in the dark on their return home and screamed. No! Sumter thought Mrs. Sumter would need no help, yet he was so much obliged to the several who asked if they couldn't "do some thing."

Another house was virtually closed to question. To the disappointment of many and the disapprobation of a few, Bob Lanier had closed himself with his classmate and most intimate friend, "Dad" Ennis; then after a brief colloquy with Barker, the adjutant had caused a big card to be tacked on his door wherein was inscribed in bold black letters "Busy." But at quarter past 12 the assistant surgeon, Dr. Schuchardt, called, as was known, for the second time and entered without ceremony. When the officer of the day came tramping along the board walk at 12:30 and turned in at the gate he struck the panel with the hilt of his saber. Ennis came up to the door but came with gloomy brow. "I am ordered by Colonel Button to ask certain questions of Lieutenant Lanier," said the official.

"My misfortune, sir, but hardly my fault," answered Captain Sumter tersely, yet respectfully. "General Sheridan selects his aids-de-camp where he will, and last month you thought it a compliment to the regiment and to my troop. Our guest, Miss Arnold, is in no condition to travel alone," added Captain Sumter gravely. "My wife and I desire to accompany her to Chicago."

The colonel bit his lip and bowed. "I see," said he. "Miss Arnold was very much shaken by what happened after she got home?"

"Rather by what happened before she got home," was the calm yet suggestive reply.

"Captain Sumter," said he, flushing angrily, for no one of his officers held in higher esteem, "your attitude is that of opposition, if not of rebuke, to the official acts of the post commander."

"Then let me disclaim at once the faintest disrespect, Colonel Button, but—as Mr. Lanier's troop commander and personal friend, I beg leave to say that, so far as I know, his offense is one which his comrades have often committed without rebuke."

"Which simply goes to show, sir," responded the colonel, with glittering eyes, "that you do not know the twin-tiert part of his offense."

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"He is not, if I know it."

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